

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
July 1, 2008
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James Worrall, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held July 1, 2008 at 5.06 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James Worrall, Presiding Officer. Council Members Joe Kusar, Willie King and Riley Hunt.

Elected Officials Absent: Mayor Pro-Tempore Phyllis Bynum-Grace and Council Member James Moore.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour. City Attorney David Walker. City Departmental Staffing: George Potter - Director of Public Safety, Deputy Fire Chief Joel Gray - Fire Department, Captain Bill Phelps – Police Department, Rick Kilgore – Director of Parks and Recreation, Mike Beecham - Director of Community Development, Ronnie Jones – Director of Public Works, Dianne Abney – Secretary Public Works Department and Annie Warren-Riley - Recording Secretary.

Guests/Speakers: None.

Press: Charlotte Perkins – Houston Home Journal.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Council Member Riley Hunt gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Citizens with Input. None.

5. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor James Worrall.

5a. Council Consideration –

Minutes of June 17, 2008 work session and regular meeting; The Minutes of the June 26, 2008 called meeting. Council Member Riley Hunt motioned to approve. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6. Old Business: None.

7. Any Other Old Business Matters: None.

8. New Business:

8a. Authorized write-offs. City Manager Lee Gilmour presented for Council's consideration a request from Director of Administration – Brenda King to write off checks that have not been cleared; standard practice is to write off when it appears to be uncollectable. Administration recommended to Council to authorize the write-offs. Council Member Riley Hunt motioned to authorize the write-offs. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

8b. Resolutions for consideration. City Manager Lee Gilmour.

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 2008-30 amending the fee schedule to adjust fees per FY 09 Budget. City Manager Lee Gilmour presented to Council a Resolution to amend the fee schedule to adjust fees per FY 09 Budget. Council Member Willie King motioned to adopt the Resolution amending the fee schedule to adjust fees per FY 09 Budget. Council Member Riley Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2008-30 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2008-31 Operations and Maintenance Procedures – Priority 2 for the natural gas system. City Manager Lee presented to Council a Resolution to adopt Operations and Maintenance Procedures – Priority 2 for the natural gas system. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to adopt the Resolution for Operations and Maintenance Procedures – Priority 2 for the natural gas system. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2008-31 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

9. Supplemental Agenda. City Manager Lee Gilmour.

9a. City Manager Lee Gilmour reminded Council of an earlier meeting in which they concurred with the Downtown Development Authority of proceeding with improvements of the parking and sidewalks in the area of the First Methodist Church. Mike Beecham, Director of Community Development approached Council and advised them that DDA has submitted the plans and the cost for review of the plans is \$1,967.00. Mr. Beecham wanted to know if he should waive the review fee. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to waive the review fee. Council Member Riley Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Other Business. None.

11. Council Reports.

Council Member Joe Kusar - Wanted to know the status of Hampton Court. City Manager Lee Gilmour advised this matter will be discussed at a later time. The silt fence at Big Indian Creek, the report is there is no silt fence. City Manager Lee Gilmour will follow up and report back to Council. The Rotary Club has done so much on the Big Indian Creek project; suggest that we should consider the name - Rotary Bi-Centennial Park when naming the park.

Council Member Riley Hunt – No.

Council Member Willie King – No.

12. Department Reports.

Chief George Potter, Director of Public Safety – No sir.

Deputy Fire Chief Joel Gray, Fire Department – No sir.

Mike Beecham, Director of Community Development – Mayor Worrall asked Mr. Beecham how many building permits did he issue last year. Mr. Beecham responded 155 permits.

Rick Kilgore, Director of Parks and Recreation – No sir.

Ronnie Jones, Director of Public Works – No sir.

Captain Bill Phelps, Police Department – No sir.

Mayor Announcements:

- Mayor Worrall presented for Council’s review designs from Mr. Taylor that he would like to incorporate into the alternate fuel program for presentations of plaques when giving donors recognition. Council Member Kusar stated he would like to see the word “green” in the design.
- Reminded Council of the dedication ceremony of the David M. Pierce Memorial Courtroom at the Houston County Magistrate Court on July 14, 2008.
- Reminded Council of Vision 2020 meeting on July 9, 2008.
- Reminded Council of Joint meeting of Perry City Council and Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority on July 9, 2008.

Council Member Riley Hunt reported to Council that he had met with the owner of Overton’s Jewelers relative to the downtown fire who was so please with the fire and police departments that he presented Council Member Hunt with a check for \$1000.00 to be used for a party/dinner for the firefighters and police officers.

13. Executive Session entered at 5:20 p.m.: Council Member Willie King motioned to adjourn regular meeting and enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of a real estate matter. Council Member Riley Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
14. Executive Session adjourned; regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held July 1, 2008 and reconvened into the regular meeting.
15. Adopted Resolution No. 2008-32 stating purpose of Executive Session held July 1, 2008 was to discuss a real estate matter. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on July 1, 2008 was to discuss a real estate matter. Council Member Riley Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2008-32 has been entered in the City’s official book of record*).
16. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened meeting held July 1, 2008, Mayor James Worrall adjourned the meeting.

